



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of City Coordinator

Date: November 4, 2002

To: Council Member Barbara Johnson, Chair
Ways & Means Budget Committee

Subject: **New Central Library Project
Contract for Testing and Inspection Services**

Recommendation:

Approve the New Central Library Implementation Committee recommendation to execute a contract with Braun Intertec Corporation for testing and inspection services during the construction of the New Central Library (4400-908-9080) and authorize proper officials to execute a contract for an amount not to exceed \$625,000.00.

Previous Directives:

- August 2000 Adoption of the Implementation Committee's recommended site concept
- February 27, 2001 Approval of project resolution, organization chart and memorandum of understanding between the City of Minneapolis and the Library Board of the City of Minneapolis
- May 14, 2001 Approved New Central Library Project Scope, Budget and Schedule
- August 9, 2002 Authorized the issue of a request for proposals for testing and inspection services during construction of the project

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Approved by: John Moir, City Coordinator _____

Presenters in Committee: Richard A Johnson, Project Coordinator

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- ☒ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget
If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- ☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- ☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- ☐ Other financial impact (Explain):
- ☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact (use any categories that apply)

Neighborhood Notification

City Goals

Comprehensive Plan

Zoning Code

Other

Background/Supporting Information

In November 2000, the citizens of Minneapolis approved a referendum in the amount of \$110 million for the purpose of building a new Minneapolis Central Library on the site of the current Central Library building. Demolition of the existing library and new construction are scheduled to begin November 11, 2002 and last through December 2005. The testing firm will perform the testing and inspection required by the project plans and specifications. The testing and inspection cost is estimated to be \$520,000 - \$625,000 depending on the final design.

The proposals were received and reviewed by the project office, the architect and the construction manager. An evaluation team comprised of Bo Spurrier, Project Office (Owner), Carol Post, Structural Engineer (Architect), Leon Henrickson, Mortenson/Thor (Construction Manager), interviewed firms and has recommended Braun Intertec Corporation because the firm had excellent capability in the specific testing and inspection areas that were likely to be required for this work. The evaluation panel unanimously recommended Braun Intertec Corporation as the best of the firms interviewed. This firm has in-house capability to perform the testing we anticipate. The evaluation team reviewed its recommendation with Richard Johnson, Project Coordinator, Tom Hysell, Project Architect and Dan Mehls, Project Executive, and they concur with the recommendation.

The New Central Library Implementation Committee directed its Finance Subcommittee to review this recommendation in order to make a recommendation to the City and to the Library Board. The Finance Subcommittee of the Implementation Committee concurred with the evaluation team and recommends that Braun Intertec Corporation be selected for Testing and Inspection Services and that the proper City officials and the proper Library Board officials be directed to execute a contract with Braun Intertec Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$625,000.00.

Richard Johnson will be present at your meeting to respond to questions